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preparation of a biographical notice which, it is hoped, will be ready for presentation early the coming year.

The birth of Charles Darwin and the publication of the *Origin of Species* were fittingly commemorated by a well attended meeting on February 16, at which addresses were made by the President, Dr. Arthur Erwin Brown, and Dr. Edwin G. Conklin.

A successful meeting of the American Museums Association was held in the Academy, May 13.

EDWARD J. NOLAN,  
*Recording Secretary.*

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#### REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

During the year six correspondents of the Academy died and five were elected. Those deceased are Prof. Jean Albert Gaudry, Prof. Perceval de Loriol Le Fort, Prof. Rudolph Bergh, Dr. Robert E. C. Stearns, Dr. Anton Dohrn and Prof. Kakichi Mitsukuri; and those elected, Dr. John Mason Clarke, Dr. Robert F. Scharff, Dr. Albert Leon Charles Calmette, Dr. Sven A. Hedin and Prof. Oscar Drude.

In accordance with the award of last year the Hayden Gold Medal was, on December 11, transmitted to Dr. John Mason Clarke, and an acknowledgment of the same duly received, together with an official copy of a minute appreciative of the Academy's action passed by Dr. Clarke's associates on the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York.

Among the events of importance to the scientific world in which the Academy was invited to participate were the following: The presentation of an international testimonial in honor of Amedeo Avogadro, the student of the molecular constitution of gases; the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the Botanical Institute of Brandenburg; the Three hundred and fiftieth Anniversary of the foundation of the University of Geneva; the Darwin Centenary exercises of the New York Academy of Sciences; the International Congress of Mining, Metallurgy and Practical Geology; the Seventeenth International Congress of Americanists; the dedication exercises of the Lamarck Centenary memorial statue in Paris; the Jubilee of the Geological Society of Glasgow, and the presentation by President Taft of medals in recognition of their services to æronautics to Wilbur and Orville Wright. As delegates representing the Academy at the Glasgow jubilee and the University of Geneva celebration, Sir Archibald Geikie and Dr. Auguste Forel, both correspondents, were respec-

tively appointed. While no delegates were appointed to represent the Academy on the other occasions, suitable letters of congratulation or expressions of interest were in each case forwarded.

As a mark of appreciation of our contribution toward defraying the expenses of its project, the Lamarck Memorial Committee in Paris presented the Academy with the interesting bust of the great French evolutionist that now adorns the Reading Room.

Numerous letters and notices were answered or referred to the proper officers of the Academy, as their nature required.

Following is a tabulated statement of the statistics of the correspondence for the year:

#### COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED.

Acknowledging receipt of the Academy's publications, . . . . .	209
Transmitting publications to the Academy, . . . . .	82
Requesting exchanges or the supply of deficiencies, . . . . .	3
Invitations to learned gatherings, . . . . .	13
Notices of deaths of scientific men, . . . . .	16
Circulars concerning the administration of scientific institutions, etc., . . . . .	10
Biographies and photographs of correspondents, . . . . .	21
Miscellaneous letters, . . . . .	103
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Total received, . . . . .	457

#### COMMUNICATIONS FORWARDED.

Acknowledging gifts to the Library, . . . . .	1,199
Acknowledging gifts to the Museum, . . . . .	86
Acknowledging photographs and biographies, . . . . .	14
Requesting the supply of deficiencies in periodicals, . . . . .	93
Letters of sympathy and congratulation, etc., . . . . .	9
Miscellaneous letters, . . . . .	83
Annual Reports sent to correspondents, . . . . .	234
Circular letters, . . . . .	94
Diplomas and notices of election of correspondents, . . . . .	13
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Total forwarded, . . . . .	1,825

Respectfully submitted,

J. PERCY MOORE,  
*Corresponding Secretary.*

#### REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

Notwithstanding the interruptions occasioned by the building operations and the removal of the Library, the accessions for the cur-